

In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1 and 3 and add new Claims 8 and 9 as indicated below.

The status of all claims is as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A substrate for a liquid crystal display, comprising:

a sealing material forming region provided in a peripheral portion of the base substrate; and

a cell gap control ~~layer~~ layer, formed inside the sealing material forming ~~region and controlling~~ region, that reduces a cell gap between the base substrate and an opposite substrate provided opposite to the base ~~substrate~~ substrate, such that the cell gap in a display area where said cell gap control layer is formed is less than a gap in an area outside of said cell gap control layer.

2. (Original) A substrate for a liquid crystal display according to claim 1, wherein the cell gap control layer is formed of a photosensitive resin.

3. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display comprising a pair of substrates and a liquid crystal sealed between the substrates, wherein ~~a substrate for a liquid crystal display according to claim 1 is used as either of the substrates~~ one of said substrates includes a sealing material forming region provided in a peripheral portion of the base

substrate; and a cell gap control layer, formed inside the sealing material forming region, that reduces a cell gap between the base substrate and an opposite substrate provided opposite to the base substrate, such that the cell gap in a display area where said cell gap control layer is formed is less than a gap in an area outside of said cell gap control layer.

4. (Original) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3, further comprising an adhesive which is spread on either of the substrates and which secures the pair of substrates to each other.

5. (Original) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3, further comprising a pillar spacer for maintaining the cell gap.

6. (Original) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3, further comprising a spherical spacer for maintaining the cell gap.

7. (Original) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3, wherein the cell gap control layer has a thickness greater than the cell gap.

8. (New) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3, further comprising a sealing material formed on said sealing material forming region, wherein a thickness of said sealing material is greater than a thickness of said cell gap control layer.

9. (New) A liquid crystal display according to claim 3 wherein the cell gap between said cell gap control layer and at least one of said substrates includes liquid crystal therein.